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Subject: RE: CES Cleanup Update

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Gary,

Thanks for the update. Donald R. Richner, CIH Senior Project Manager

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Subject: CES Cleanup Update

CES Environmental Services: EPA Removal Action – October 29, 2014

The USEPA is conducting a removal action at the former CES Environmental Services facility at 4904 Griggs Road, Houston, Harris County, TX. The Site is surrounded by primarily residential properties and schools with some commercial establishments. The Actions being taken by EPA at present are to remove and dispose of the containerized wastes located on-site and to remove and dispose of spilled materials to the asphalt/concrete/soils/debris. As of today, the EPA has sampled and have received results for the large containers located on-site. The chemical matrix of the material has presented challenges for the laboratory to meet detection limits for the regulatory disposal limits which has slowed disposal progress. The EPA is in the process of recontainerizing the waste in 10 vacuum boxes for disposal. These vacuum boxes are requiring entry to manually shovel the waste to an air mover and into shippable container. The contents of 2 of these boxes have been disposed at Veolia. The remainder are in various stages of removal/disposal process. Additionally, EPA has disposed of the contents from 1 of the 11 Frac tanks. Additionally, the Trustee's contractor has disposed of laboratory chemicals and samples as well as old product located in the Wayland Warehouse. Pending available funds in the Estate, The EPA is working with the Trustee on additional work activities which will include ceramic air stripping media dumped on the site as well as consolidation and disposal of contents within the totes and drums. The EPA is making plans to have a community availability session on November 20, 2014 (time, date, and location not yet finalized).

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